

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

What is claimed is:

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① 1. (Twice Amended) A system, comprising:

a remote input;

entry means in the remote input for entering a number corresponding to an amount being offered by a transactor;

calculating means in the remote input for recording an excess in the amount;

entering means for entering an identifier that identifies the transactor;

applying means responsive to said remote input and said identifier entering means for applying at least a part of the excess amount to an account predetermined on the basis of said identifier; and

said account being identified independent of data in the remote input.

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2. (Twice Amended) A system as in claim 1, wherein applying means includes apportioning

⑤ means for apportioning at least part of the excess ~~to one or more predetermined accounts to~~
~~one or more accounts selected from a plurality of accounts.~~ [1]

③ 3. (Twice Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein said remote input means includes a display for displaying the excess and remains. [3]

⑬ 4. (Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein printout means prints out the status of ~~each of the~~
~~accounts one or more accounts.~~ [4]

② 5. (Previously Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein said identifier entering means includes means for entering changes in the apportionment. [5]

⑤ 6. (Previously Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein said apportioning means includes means for allocating a portion of the excess to charity donee accounts with each apportionment. [6]

⑩ 7. A system as in claim 6, wherein said apportioning means includes means for transferring the portion of the excess for the charity donee account directly to the charity donee with each apportionment. [7]

⑦ 8. (Twice Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein said apportionment means includes: [8]
charity storage means for storing names of a plurality of qualified charities;

bank storage means for storing names of a number of banks;

account storage means for storing numbers of client accounts;

entry means for entering the names of charities and banks so as to establish an entered name for each entry of a name;

comparison means responsive to said storage means and said entry means for comparing each entered name with a stored name to determine if the entered name matches a stored name;

assignment means responsive to said comparison means for assigning a charity or a bank to an account when the charity or the bank has been entered;

recording means responsive to said account storage means for recording money entries into one or more said accounts; and

allocating means responsive to said account storage means for registering an allocation of parts of monies recorded into one or more accounts among the charities and banks entered for that account.

9. (Previously Amended) A system as in claim 1, wherein said identifier means includes receiving means for receiving a card having data including the account.

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10. (Previously Amended) A system as in claim 9, wherein said apportioning means includes a central processor remote from the entry means for receiving data from the entry means.

11. (Twice Amended) A system as in claim 1, further comprising printout means coupled to said entry means, said card entering means, and said applying means for printing out the amount or amounts entered and applied.

12. (Twice Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein the card identifies the relationship of apportioning among an account or accounts independent of the of data in the entry means.

13. (Twice Amended) AIn a computer system, a point of sale operating method having programs encoded on computer readable media including codes that when executed perform steps in a method, comprising:

entering a number corresponding to a price of a product into a remote input;

entering an amount corresponding to an amount being offered;

determining any excess;

entering a card identifier;

applying at least a part of the excess to an account as determined by the card identifier; and

crediting the excess to the account in the card identifier;

the account being identified with said card identifier being independent of said remote input.

14. A method as in claim 13, wherein said applying step returning any remains from the excess,

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after applying.

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15. (Twice Amended) A method as in claim 13, wherein said applying step includes an apportioning step for apportioning at least a part of the excess to one or more accounts selected

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~~from a plurality of predetermined~~ predetermined accounts determined by the card identifier.

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17. (Previously Amended) A method as in claim 15, wherein said step of apportioning includes entering changes in the apportionment.

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18. (Twice Amended) A method as in claim 15, wherein said step of apportioning includes

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allocating a portion of the excess to one or more charity donee accounts with each apportionment.

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19. (Previously Amended) A method as in claim 18, wherein said apportioning step includes transferring a portion of the excess for a charity donee account directly to a charity donee with each apportionment.

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21. (Previously Amended) A system as in claim 2, wherein said apportioning means includes a central processor remote from the entry means for receiving the data from the card identifier entering means.

31. (Previously Added and Now Amended) A system, comprising:

an entry station for entering an amount corresponding to a sum being offered in a transaction;
said entry station including a card reader or a keyboard for receiving an identifier that identifies a transactor in the transaction;

a calculating device in the remote input for recording an excess from amounts in the transaction;

a processor remote from said entry station and responsive to said card reader or keyboard for applying at least a part of the excess to an account on the basis of said identifier; and

said account or accounts being identified independent of data in the remote input.

(Am1 claims)